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In re Application of:	)
Tomowaki Takahashi	) Group Art Unit: 4126
Application No.: 10/584,508	Examiner: Jerry Lynn Brooks
Filed: June 23, 2006	
For: PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS WITH THE SAME	) Confirmation No.: 4565 )
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450	

Sir:

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not attached. A copy of an European Search Report in a corresponding patent application is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the

documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicant reserves the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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